

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**



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FOR: METHOD COMPRISING THE USE OF HUMAN INTERLEUKIN-11  
RECEPTOR PROTEINS

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Further to the Notice of Appeal filed on October 14, 2004, Applicants submit herewith in the above-mentioned patent application a Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR § 1.114 and the required fee. With a three-month extension of time these documents are due on or before March 14, 2004. This Amendment and Response constitutes the submission required by 37 CFR § 1.114. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 22058-516 DIVCON.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.